

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

AFSHIN BAHRAMPOUR, et al.,)	Case No. 2:16-cv-01334-GMN-NJK
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Plaintiff(s),)	ORDER
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vs.)	
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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE)	
et al.,)	(Docket No. 1)
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Defendant(s).)	
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Pending before the Court is Plaintiff Bahrapour's application for authority pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Docket No. 1. As a general rule, to initiate a civil action, a plaintiff must submit either a filing fee or an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. See 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a); 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1). "Where there are multiple plaintiffs in a single action, the plaintiffs may not proceed *in forma pauperis* unless all of them demonstrate inability to pay the filing fee." *Darden v. Indymac Bancorp, Inc.*, 2009 WL 5206637, *1 (E.D. Cal. Dec. 23, 2009); see also *Anderson v. California*, 2010 WL 4316996, *1 (S.D. Cal. Oct. 27, 2010) ("although only one filing fee needs to be paid per case, if multiple plaintiffs seek to proceed *in forma pauperis*, each plaintiff must qualify for IFP status").

In this case, only Plaintiff Bahrapour has provided an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. See Docket No. 1. As not all Plaintiffs have submitted applications to proceed *in in forma pauperis*, the Court lacks sufficient information regarding each Plaintiff to make a determination as to their financial status. Accordingly, the application to proceed *in forma paupueris* is deficient.

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1 Based on the foregoing, **IT IS ORDERED** that:

- 2 1. Plaintiff Bahrampour's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is hereby **DENIED**
3 without prejudice.
- 4 2. Each Plaintiff shall file a renewed application to proceed *in forma pauperis* on the correct
5 form.
- 6 3. The Clerk's Office shall send Plaintiffs three blank *in forma pauperis* application forms
7 with instructions.
- 8 4. In the alternative, Plaintiffs shall make the necessary arrangements to pay the filing fee of
9 \$400, accompanied by a copy of this Order.
- 10 5. Plaintiffs must comply with this order no later than August 22, 2016.
- 11 6. Failure to comply will result in a recommendation to the district judge for dismissal of this
12 action without prejudice.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.

14 Dated: July 20, 2016

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17 NANCY J. KOPPE
18 United States Magistrate Judge
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